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It is to be Utah's banner fruit year. The "dry farmers" outlook is no less encouraging.

The Agricultural College Summer School has just closed its five week's session. The attendance this year was over 100, the highest in the history of the institution. The College is rapidly getting in a position that will place it in the front rank with the very best institutions of its kind in this country.

Hoard's Dairyman is inclined to be sarcastic about the philanthropy of centralized creamery plants. The centralized concerns in the East are fighting for the preservation of certain favors from the railways which operate greatly to their advantage as against local creameries. The Dairyman correctly says: "Let the centralizers get along as best they can without 'favors' from any source. If in a fair race the local creamery can not compete with the product of the city creamery it cannot expect to endure."

The big excursion to the Nephi Experimental farm took place too late in the week for mention in this issue.

IS THE "DESERET FARMER" A GOOD ADVERTISING MEDIUM?

Dear Editor: I am getting orders from three states through my ad. in your paper—more orders than I can fill—I've sold all I can spare. You'll have to cut it out a little while and give me time to grow some.

F. R. LYMAN, Oak City, Utah.

DR. L. H. PAMMEL.

Dr. L. H. Pammel, professor of botany at the Iowa Agricultural College is in Utah with some of his students annual botanizing tour. The doctor is recognized as America's greatest botanist, eminently qualified to carry on the work of Gray, Coulter and other leading lights of the plant world. While in Salt Lake Dr. Pammel called at this office and renewed the acquaintance of ten years ago when the writer was a student in Iowa's famous Agricultural College. We also had the pleasure of showing him City Creek Canyon which he found full of interest from the botanical standpoint. He is a great admirer of the Western wheat grass as a drouth resistant and wants to see it tried on our arid lands. The doctor is at present in Logan, the guest of Dr. Ball of the Experiment Station.

THE OPPORTUNITY.

On another page of this issue is found the advertisement of Utah's great industrial school—the State Agricultural College. This calls our attention to the great opportunities before the young men who qualify themselves for life's battle in that institution. Recently our attention was called to the great number of western young men who are now occupying positions of responsibility and trust in the various bureaus of the United States Department of Agriculture, and by the way, our own institution is particularly well represented there. We are also told that the Department of Agriculture is unable to take up all of the problems for study that they would like to simply because they have not now and are unable to se-

cure the men with the necessary training.

This paper has emphasized, a number of times, the great demand for men trained in scientific agriculture. In the work of the Agricultural College, the Experiment Station, the Agricultural High Schools, the Department of Agriculture and in the management of farming enterprises, there are unlimited opportunities for the young man who has the right kind of grit and who is properly trained. We want to say to the young men of Utah that an agricultural education at our Agricultural College will qualify them for good openings at reasonable compensation.

It must not be thought, however, that the work of the College is only to prepare experts. The greater duty lies in the proper preparation of the young men who are to be the farm owners and soil tillers of the future. To learn enough of nature's mysteries to give them the mastery should be the ambition of every young man who expects to till the soil, and in this work the College is performing its greatest mission. The farm boys of Utah will make no mistake in deciding next September to go to our Agricultural College and obtain an education that will make life more pleasant and profitable for them.

TOOELE COUNTY.

Tooele County is little known as an agricultural county by the people of the state. As a matter of fact it is very doubtful if the people of the county themselves realize in any great measure their agricultural pos-

sibilities. We were out there last week, after an absence of about four years. At that time we assisted in establishing an experimental arid farm which we thought at the time was going to do wonders in reclaiming Tooele's desert lands. That it has not done so is in no way the fault of the farm, as we are given to understand by the foreman, Mr. Frazer, and from the records that the experiments have been in every way successful. The fault lies in the people who have failed to profit by the work of the farm. The farm at this time is in splendid shape, gives promise of a good yield, but it is not leading the farmers of Tooele County into better methods. Many of the dry farmers there still plow about once in three years and secure two volunteer crops. It is a reflection upon Tooele and we are hopeful that in the near future there will be an awakening and with it will come a realization of the great agricultural opportunities of Tooele County not only along the lines of dry farming, but in horticulture as well.

GOOD ROADS.

The Governor of California has gone on record in favor of the good roads movement. At a meeting of the Good Roads Association, held at Santa Cruz recently, the Governor of the state pledged his aid to the good roads movement, and announced that he would present a special message to the Legislature recommending the enactment of a good roads law.

We are glad to note that the Gov-



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